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## BWA Names World Peace Commission

ROCHESTER, N. Y., U. S. A. — (BWA) — Eleven countries are represented on the Baptist World Alliance Commission on World Peace, membership of which was announced at meetings of B. W. A. study commissions on the Colgate Rochester Divinity School campus here August 24-28.

Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, a former president of the Alliance and now member of the faculty at Berkeley (Calif.) Baptist Divinity School, is chairman of the World Peace group. Its other 25 members, as named by Theodore F. Adams, Alliance president, include Baptist leaders in

Canada, Chile, Czechoslovakia, England, Hong Kong, India, Poland, Nigeria, New Zealand, Russia and the United States of America.

**Newest Addition**  
World Peace is the newest addition to commissions meeting here in connection with annual sessions of the B. W. A. Executive Committee.

Others are concerned with Religious Liberty, Evangelism, World Missions, Bible Study and Membership Training, and the Doctrines of the Church and Baptism.

The Alliance represents 23,000,000 Baptists in 106 countries.

## Forward Program Meets Set

Two area Forward Program Committee training sessions have been scheduled for next week, according to announcement made by Dr. Joe T. Odle, associate executive secretary, who will direct the conferences.

One, for north Mississippi, will be held Tuesday, Sept. 8, at First Church, Winona, while one for south Mississippi will be held on Thursday, Sept. 10 at First Church, Hattiesburg.

Each meeting will begin at 2 p. m. with adjournment set for 5 p. m.

### Green To Participate

Those leading conferences at Winona will be as follows: Dr. Joe T. Odle; Rev. John Green, Winona; Cooper Walton, Jackson; Rev. N. F. Davis, Aberdeen; Rev. Carl Duck, Batesville; Mrs. Vivian Hammond, Winona; Rev. Carlos Radford, Yazoo City; Mrs. Edward Burke, Winona.

Those to lead conferences at Hattiesburg will be as follows: Dr. Odle; Dr. John Barnes, Jr., Hattiesburg; Rev. Charles Phillips, Wesson; Rev. Byron Mathis, Pascagoula; Rev. Fred Tarpley, Jackson; Mrs. H. R. McPhail, Hattiesburg; Rev. M. G. Reedy, Laurel; Miss Winnie Byrd, Hattiesburg.

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## August Mission Gifts Up 4.9%


Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for August totaled \$129,639.90, a gain of \$6,228.23 or 4.9 per cent over \$122,411.67 given in August of last year, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

Receipts for the Convention year to date, Nov. 1, 1958 through Aug. 31, 1959, totaled \$1,731,175.82, a gain of \$132,454.65 or 8.3 per cent over the \$1,598,721.17 contributed during the same period a year ago.

This year's goal is \$2,275,000 and every church is urged to cooperate in reaching this amount by Oct. 31, declared Dr. Quarles.

The Cooperative Program is the denomination's principal channel of mission giving.

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STATE MISSION DAY IN THE  
SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND  
CHURCHES SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

W. M. U. SEASON OF PRAYER FOR  
STATE MISSIONS, SEPT. 14-16

EVERY CHURCH URGED TO  
MAKE A SPECIAL OFFERING  
TO STATE MISSIONS

## Baptists Plan Busy Fall

Mississippi Baptists have a busy autumn schedule, to be climaxed with the annual State Convention, to be held in Jackson's First Church Nov. 10-12.

Everyone of the state's 76 associations will meet in September or October, with most of them gathering during the first three weeks of October.

The Audit, Budget and Allocations Committee of the State Convention Board will meet

Sept. 14-15 with the annual business meeting of the Board scheduled for Sept. 28-29.

Several state Baptist leaders will attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Nashville Sept. 23.

Sunday, Sept. 13 will be State Missions Day in the Sunday Schools and churches of the state while the W. M. U. Season of Prayer for State Missions will

be held Sept. 14-16.

A Training Union Leadership Convention will be held Oct. 15-17 at Allison's Wells.

**Music Meeting Set**  
A statewide Music Planning Meeting will be held Sept. 14 at Nov. 6 will witness a series of Music Officers' Planning meetings held over the state.

A series of W. M. U. district meetings is set for Oct. 27-30 and Nov. 3-6.

Five area Training Union associational officers planning meetings are scheduled as follows: Tutwiler, Oct. 27; Tupelo, Oct. 29; Utica, Nov. 2; Hattiesburg, ov. 3; and Philadelphia, Nov. 5.

The annual State Brotherhood Rally will be held at Jackson's First Church Nov. 8 just prior to the opening of the State Convention Nov. 10-12.

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## 'Need' Of Colleges Is Seen

NASHVILLE — (BP) — "Our greatest need" in Baptist higher education has been described as "a clear-cut sense of values, a sharply defined philosophy of what we are supposed to be doing with and through our Baptist schools."

This viewpoint was expressed in the Southern Baptist Educator's July-August issue by Ralph A. Phelps of Arkadelphia, Ark.

Phelps is chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission, which publishes the magazine, and president of Ouachita Baptist College.

"We have been making more progress on the material side of education than we have on the intangible side," he continued. "We have learned how to build buildings and recruit teachers,

but we have only a hazy idea of why we do either."

He said programs have been based on expediency — "expediency embellished with a few pious platitudes to make the outsider believe that our schools have a crystal-clear sense of divine mission and programs at least as scriptural as the New Testament."

Phelps contended that several questions need "serious, dedicated attention." The questions, summarized, include:

1. What makes a school Christian, and what about the school which publicly proclaims one set of principles and privately practices the opposite?
2. What sort of people should teach on the faculty of a Baptist school? Should non-Baptists, even non-Christians teach, and does a faculty made up of evangelical Christians necessarily mean there will be spiritual quality?
3. How much say-so should a denomination have in running its own school, one it has supported through the years, and

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## POLLARD HAS CURE FOR LAZY BAPTISTS

DENTON, Tex. — (BP) — Many Baptists who believe they are spiritual may be lazy, Ramsey Pollard, Southern Baptist Convention president, told 1,100 men at the annual District 12 brotherhood rally at Camp Compass near here.

Pollard said he was not afraid that Baptists would drift away from the fundamentals of faith, but the danger lay in becoming lazy Christians with no sense of

### urgency.

**Sees Urgency**  
"Whenever we lose the spirit of urgency and compassion, we are through," he said.

Standing on a flat bed tarrier, the SBC president said Southern Baptists have everything they need in material wealth, but without fervor, compassion and evangelism, "all the wealth in the world will not accomplish God's work."

## STATE MISSIONS ISSUE

This issue of the Baptist Record is devoted especially to the cause of State Missions. It is hoped that our readers will find it informative, inspirational and challenging.

## Baptists Advance In State Missions

By Joe T. Odle  
Interim Editor

Mississippi Baptists join with millions of other Southern Baptists in observing a State Missions emphasis during the month of September.

State Missions Day in the Sunday School will be observed on September 13. Many churches will present special programs in the assembly periods or in the classes and large numbers of them will give opportunity for a love offering for state missions.

The WMU will observe a Week of Prayer for State Missions September 14-16, with special programs and the receiving of the Margaret Lackey love offering for state missions. This offering is named in honor of a former Mississippi WMU secretary.

Many pastors will preach on state missions and give their people an opportunity to make an "over and above" offering for preaching the gospel in our own state.

### New Handbook

A new book on Mississippi Baptist work, entitled "Mississippi Baptists at Work" has recently been released, and the filmstrip "Mississippi for Christ" is being used this year.

Both of these will be used by many churches in connection with the observance of the state mission week of prayer.

While there is no offering goal, a minimum of \$50,000 is needed if we are to reach our total State Mission budget which is \$399,375. The Cooperative Program provides \$349,375 of

this and the remaining part must come from the special State Mission offering. All that is received above this minimum goal will be used for the purchase of sites for new churches.

### What Is State Missions?

State Missions is Mississippi Baptists preaching and teaching and witnessing in their own state to bring the hundreds of thousands of lost people to Christ. Through this program we preach the gospel in needy areas, establish new missions and churches, work with special groups and strengthen the present churches.

### Ministerial Education

The state mission program does not include our colleges, hospitals, orphanage, the Baptist Record, or the Foundation. These are a part of our Mississippi Baptist program but are not specifically a part of state missions.

State missions is the Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood and Music departments as they seek to promote the work and ministry of every church.

It is the Cooperative Missions department as it ministers to language groups, works with area and associational missions, promotes the 30,000 movement, schools of missions and rural church work, and generally directs our Mississippi mission work.

### Student Work

It is the Student Department working with thousands of young people who will soon be on campuses all over our state.

It is pastoral aid and church building aid for many weak churches which might not be able to carry on their work if it were not for state missions.

It is the Negro Work department ministering to the hundreds of thousands of negroes in this state through the Mississippi Seminary, Sophie Sutton assembly and other activities.

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**EDUCATION POST** — Selected for the Executive Committee of the Education Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, was Nelson L. Brantley of Macon, Ga. He moved to the Commission's Nashville office about Sept. 1. The post has been vacant since the resignation of R. Orin Cornett in January. Brantley previously was vice-president of Mercer University, a Baptist institution. — BP Photo.

## WMU Supports State Missions

By Miss Edwina Robinson  
State WMU Executive Secretary

Support — "to hold up, to sustain, to take the side of, to furnish with friends, to strengthen" — in the light of this definition the caption of this article is entirely correct!

Woman's Missionary Union has endeavored to share in establishing a strong home base. Through the years WMU has sought to encourage, to nurture and to back State Missions.

As early as 1903 a "State Mission Day" was observed by Mississippi WMU. Since that time there has been a special annual emphasis in a season of study and prayer for State Missions.

The record of gifts since 1925 (other records not available) shows a total of \$740,197.45 has been given by members of Mississippi WMU during the Seasons of Prayer for state missions.

**Tangible Evidence**  
The financial support has

been a tangible evidence of the heart interest of women and young people. The season of Prayer for State Missions is September 14-16 and the offering goal \$55,000. The theme for the 3 session program is "My Faith Declared in My State."

Much of the program material for two of the sessions is drawn from the new publication — "Mississippi Baptists at Work." The third session is on Associational Missions — basic material for all associations and specific material for associations with Superintendents of Missions.

**Sustained Support**  
State Missions has the sustained support of women and young people through the Cooperative Program. The sum total of the personal witness of each individual gives added support to helping win Mississippi for Christ.

Yes — Woman's Missionary Union supports State Missions, with interest, with prayers, with participation and with gifts.

## MISSION GIFTS NEXT WEEK

Next week's issue of the Baptist Record will carry a listing of the mission gifts of all the churches for the first nine months of this Convention year, Nov. 1, 1958, to Sept. 30, 1959.

## Our Task Is Challenging

By DR. CHESTER L. QUARLES  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

State Missions is a responsibility that a faithful Christian and a loyal Baptist can not ignore. If the Christians within

a given state do not seek to meet the needs of that state, more than likely very little or nothing will be done about those needs.

That is why we have a State Missions program. We in Mississippi accept as our responsibility the spiritual needs of our state. Since we are as strong as we are we do not expect our

Baptist friends from Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia or Tennessee (all strong Baptist states) to come and do the work or to send workers. We frankly face our needs and at the same time our responsibility.

What is State Missions? A plot of land purchased for a mission or a new church... a mission church being erected... a superintendent of associational missions planning and promoting... these are a part of State Missions.

See State Missions at work in the associations and the churches: a simultaneous revival campaign, a stewardship clinic, a Training Union central study course, a school of music, a Sunday School Teachers Clinic, and Vacation Bible School Conferences.

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# 30,000 Movement Urges New Missions, Churches

## TER-JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS STARTED

LONDON, England (BWA).—Looking forward to the 150th anniversary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland in 1963, the Union has launched a four-year Ter-Jubilee celebration.

Main features of the Ter-Jubilee, according to Rev. Ernest A. Payne, general secretary, will be to make known the history of the Union and also the nature and importance of the work which it undertakes for the churches, a four-year evangelistic campaign, made flexible to suit local conditions, and a financial appeal aiming at 300,000 pounds during the next four years.

The British plan is very similar to that of the Baptist Jubilee Advance being conducted in North America in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the organization of continental Baptist work in 1814.



CHINESE MISSIONS—The Chinese Baptist Mission in Cleveland receives aid from the State Convention Board through a pastoral aid grant for the pastor, Rev. Jachin Y. Chan. A large group

of the members is seen in front of the church. The Board also assists the Chinese Mission in Greenville in a similar way.

## Baptist Laymen Will Respond

By Cooper Walton, Jackson, First Vice-President Miss. Baptist Convention

Recently I received a copy of a report made by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board on Cooperative Program gifts for the first nine months of our present convention year.

It revealed that of our Mississippi Cooperative program goal of \$2,275,000 only 70 percent had been received. This points out that we as Baptists, especially the laymen, are not the stewards we should be.

Our state Cooperative Program goal is low considering the stewardship potential of our Baptist denomination in Mississippi.

As laymen, we have almost entirely relied on our pastors to do all the evangelistic work that has been done.

The business affairs of a Baptist church must have the attention and interest of all the Baptist laymen if an overall Christian view of our denominational work is ever to be developed.

### Back To Normal

Now that we have entered the last quarter of the Convention year, I would like to encourage every church to take inventory of what it has done in this matter of cooperative giving.

Have we given the amounts or percentages as shown in our annual budget? Could we increase our planned cooperative gifts to show that our concern for the causes of Christ and lost souls throughout the world is genuine?

Many questions could be asked which point out one thought. "What kind of a steward is my church going to be?" This determination can, and should be made by chairmen of finance committees, chairmen of deacons, and laymen as a whole taking it upon themselves to see that God is honored in every way by their Church.

### Take Inventory

Christian laymen, let's take inventory of what has been done and see that we as a group of organized believers are doing our part in this great unified and proven program of Mississippi Baptists. Then when the annual report is made we will see that Mississippi Baptists have gone the second mile for our Lord, and thereby placed us in a position to accomplish other objectives which are badly needed.

God planted in the hearts of men a desire to worship a supreme being. As Christian laymen especially, this desire to serve our Supreme Being, our Lord, can only be shown by the way we serve our fellowman. This is God's plan for the spreading of the gospel or good news about His plan of salvation.

### Be A Good Steward

To be a good servant one must know what is to be done and how to do it. Our Baptist churches and denominational programs have worked out a well rounded approach to this mat-

ter. It is Christ-centered and will certainly enlighten or educate an individual if he will honestly try and avail himself of the opportunities that are made available through his church for spiritual growth.

Let's resolve anew that rather than be critical of some of the Baptist work, we will attend business meetings of our respective churches, associational meetings and State Conventions, and under God's guidance and our pastor's advice lend our support to our Baptist work in Mississippi, and throughout the world.

### Sees Opportunity

Then when goals are set by churches and our state work as a whole it will give everyone an opportunity to express himself in honoring Him who has made the difference in Christian lives throughout the ages.

Then will the Great Commission become a living reality in the hearts and giving of every cooperating Baptist in Mississippi.



Rev. Dewey Merritt

## Missionary To Speak At Van Winkle

Beginning Sunday, September 6, Van Winkle Church, Jackson, H. A. Milner, pastor, will be observing "Royal Ambassador and mission emphasis." Rev. Dewey Merritt will be the guest speaker Monday night, September 7 at 7:30 through Wednesday night, September 9.

Rev. Merritt, missionary to Nigeria, has served in Northern Nigeria since completing an initial period of language study. There he has taught in the Hausa Baptist Pastor's School in Kaduna and done evangelistic work in Minna.

A native of Hattiesburg, Mr. Merritt has served several Mississippi churches before going to Nigeria. He received the B. A. degree from Mississippi College, and the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Cooper, a native of Louisville, Kentucky. Before going to the mission field Mrs. Merritt was church secretary at Van Winkle.



GULFSHORE—This assembly, located at Henderson Point on the Gulf Coast, is scheduled to be used beginning next year instead of Kittiwake Assembly, being used through this year. Kittiwake received a grant this year from the State Missions budget. There were 359 decisions at Kittiwake this summer.

## New Jackson Church Calls Missouri Pastor

Fellowship Baptist Church, recently organized in Jackson has called Dr. Percy Herring, Hayti, Missouri as pastor, according to announcement by J. L. Magee, moderator.

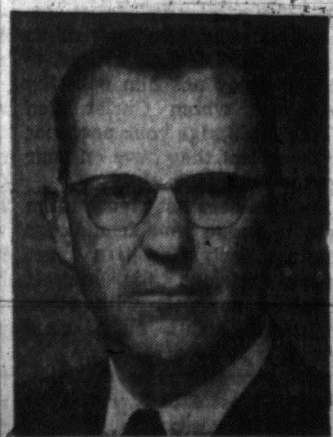
Dr. Herring will move on the 1st of September. The church is currently meeting in the Leavell Woods community house but are negotiating for property in an area approved by the Hinds County Missions Committee.

The church petitioned the Committee for counsel in locating that they might be cooperative with the Association program. The application of the group for admittance to the association is being referred to the Admissions Committee for investigation and recommendation later to the Executive Committee and to the Association. The church currently has 65 members.

### State Native

Dr. Herring is a native Mississippian, having grown up in Montgomery County, near Winona. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He served as Air Force chaplain in World War II. Pastors have been at Laurel, Hernando, Osceola, Arkansas and Hayti, Mo.

Mr. Herring has served as member of trustees of the Baptist Hospital in Memphis and Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, which school gave him the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree. Mrs. Herring is a State approved Beginner worker in the Sunday School Department in Missouri.



Dr. Percy Herring

## 'Need' of Colleges (Continued from Page 1)

still "theoretically at least" owns and operates?

4. From whom shall the Baptist college take money? Shall it accept government funds, or even private foundation grants which dictate the courses to be taught and "slant given them"?

5. To what extent is service to the denomination a responsibility of the Baptist college?

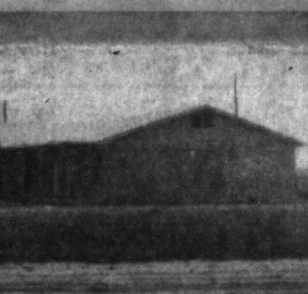
6. What are the primary purposes of a Christian college? How does it balance development of Christian character, a championship football objective, and academic achievement?

### Need More Thought

7. What part does Jesus Christ play in a school which is supposed to exist because of and for him?

The problem, according to Phelps, is that there are too few people associated with the Baptist colleges to think through these questions. The president? "No one looks to the president as a thinker these days. He is a producer, a builder, a fundraiser, a huckster, a financier, a public speaker, a politician." Trustees "are busy with their own businesses and professions" and faculty are "paid to teach, not think," Phelps added. "Pastors might, but their job security does not rest on a denomination's program but on their local responsibility."

Baptist editors might be the thinkers, but they have many other causes also in need of editorial attention," Phelps said. "The cold truth is that the job of thinking is given little attention and that no particular individual is apt to be raised up as a Moses to lead us from the wilderness in which we are wandering," he complained.



Rev. W. A. Willson

## OAKLAND WELCOMES NEW PASTOR

Oakland Church (Yalobusha) has called Rev. Walter Adrian Willson as pastor. Willson is a recent graduate of New Orleans Seminary.

In preparation for the new pastor and his wife, the pastory was painted inside and out; new curtains and shades were furnished by the ladies of the church. The pantry was stocked and the refrigerator filled.

Rev. Willson is from Osyka, Miss., and is married to the former Muriel Joy Dickey of the same city. Before going to New Orleans, he attended the University of California, held mission pastorates there, and attended St. Andrews College, London.

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By Rev. L. Gordon Sansing  
Cooperative Missions Dept.  
State Missions so far as Mississippi Baptist Life is concerned, is the work of the Kingdom within the borders of Mississippi. The 30,000 Movement is a program designed to bring about the establishment of 10,000 new churches and 20,000 missions in the Southern Baptist Convention by 1964.

Our part as Mississippi Baptists in the 30,000 Movement is an effort to establish a Baptist Church and/or a mission wherever needed.

According to a recent survey, there are approximately 140 areas where there should be a Baptist Church. Our State Missions leadership is working toward the realization of this purpose. To date there have been 64 churches constituted.

The slogan of the 30,000 Movement is "Every church with a mission." "A Mission is anywhere one or more members are sent from the local church or churches at regular intervals to preach or teach the word of God." Every church should have a representative Missions committee to assist in the establishment of new missions and churches.

### Brotherhood Acts

Last year I was leading the revival effort in a southeast Mississippi church and in the course of the meeting the men of the Brotherhood asked if I would accompany them on their mission Friday afternoon. We went to the prison nearby. I was introduced to a trusty. While the men of the Brotherhood wit-

nessed to the other prisoners, I talked with the trusty. Here is the testimony he gave me.

The men of the Brotherhood of the church led him to Christ as his personal Savior. He was permitted to go to the church to follow his Lord in baptism. He told me that his trial was coming up soon and that he would most certainly get several years in the penitentiary for his crime.

### Paid His Debt

But he said that, as strange as it might seem, he was looking forward to going because as he paid his debt to society he could in some small way pay his debt to Christ by witnessing to the prisoners in the penitentiary. Thus because the Brotherhood of a Baptist church had a mission a Missionary instead of a criminal was sent to the penitentiary.

Every church should see to it that State Missions is presented educationally to the membership and that they have opportunity to make an offering thereto.

Offering envelopes for this purpose are available from the office of Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi. All monies over \$50,000 of the offering this year will go on the purchase of sites on which Baptist churches will be built. These churches will be additional lighthouses where the Gospel will be preached to the end that lost people shall be won to Christ and where the saved shall grow more like Christ in character and usefulness.

## State Missions Is Scriptural

By Rev. Clifton Perkins  
Pastor, First Church, West Point

The simplest definition of State Missions is the ministry of preaching, teaching, and healing within the boundaries of the State. Today in State Missions we have many departments that carry on numerous activities, but all of these activities are concerned with preaching, teaching, and healing.

We find a definite scriptural basis for State Missions in both the Old and New Testaments. The prophets went up and down the land of Israel preaching, teaching, and healing. They were actually the first State Missionaries.

However, it is in the New Testament that we find our real basis for State Missions.

### Taught By Example

First, we find State Missions taught in the example of Jesus himself: "And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness" (Matt. 9:35). Jesus made numerous trips to other territories, but the greater part of his ministry was in the cities, villages, and country of Galilee.

Not only by his example, but also in his sending forth the twelve (Matt. 10:5) and later the seventy (Luke 10:1) did Jesus teach State Missions. These disciples were sent to the towns and cities of Galilee. You will notice that the Master told them to go not to the Gentiles but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. The State must be won to Christ before the world can be taken for Him.

### Challenging Basis

However, the most challeng-

ing basis for State Missions—the inescapable reason for State Missions—is that Jesus commanded it: "But ye shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit is come upon you; and ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8). This is the Master's command and our program for witnessing: in Jerusalem—local Missions; in Samaria—Home Missions; to the needs of the earth—Foreign Missions. Mississippi is our Judea. Witnessing for Him on our State is Christ's command.

## Revival Results

Columbia, Calvary: youth revival; Rev. Stan Rushing, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Milton Patrick, William Carey College, music director; Rev. Marcus Alexander, pastor; nine additions by letter; seven professions of faith; 10 rededications.

Forrest Avenue (Gulf Coast): August 16-23; David J. Williams, pastor and evangelist; three professions of faith; four by letter, one by statement; one rededication.

New Hope (Franklin): 19 rededications, 1 addition by letter, and 4 professions of faith; Rev. Bartis B. Harper, pastor of East Columbia Church, was the evangelist; Rev. J. D. McIntosh is pastor.

Matthews (Lafayette): July 26-31; Rev. Dewey Metts, Memphis, Tenn., evangelist; Rev. J. W. Massie, pastor; Sam Dees, Sardis, song leader; no new members, but church was spiritually blessed.

New Hope (Lafayette): August 2-7; Rev. Dewey Metts, Memphis, Tenn., evangelist; Sam Dees, Sardis, song leader; Rev. J. W. Massie, pastor; 4 new members for baptism, two by letter.

Potts Camp (Marshall): youth revival; August 16-22; Rev. Kermit McGregor, Pleasant Ridge Church, evangelist; Rev. R. L. Jackson, Ingomar, song leader; Rev. Clint Taylor, pastor; 17 rededications, three professions of faith, one surrendering for full-time mission work, and 13 rededications.



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JOE T. ODLE, Interim Editor

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## Support State Missions

Sunday, September 13, has been designated as State Missions Day in our churches and Sunday schools. The period, September 14-16, will be the WMU "Week of Prayer for State Missions."

We urge every church, pastor, and member among Mississippi Baptists to enter wholeheartedly into the observance of these days, and to give generously to these offerings.

State Missions is basic to the whole mission program. This phase of Christ's mission program builds the home base. If we fail to build a strong home base we shall not have the forces or the resources to carry the message to the ends of the earth. If, however, we develop strong, missionary churches at home, we shall see continued advance in Home and Foreign missions.

This does not mean that we are to do the work at home first, neglecting the other areas. Neither can we major on Home or Foreign work and forget our own state. Our commission is to have a concurrent program, including the work at home, but going "into all the world" at the same time.

These special State Mission offerings give all of our people the opportunity to make an additional offering, above the tithe, in order that Baptist work in Mississippi may be strengthened and enlarged. Also, again this year, every dollar received above the minimum requirement of \$50,000 will be available for the purchase of sites for new churches and missions. This will greatly enhance Mississippi's part in the effort of Southern Baptists to establish \$30,000 new missions and churches by 1964.

Let us all join together in making this the greatest State Mission offering ever made in our state.

## The Department of Student Work

For many college generations the Department of Student Work has been serving Southern Baptist college students. Many can remember the early days of its work as it was developed under the guiding hand of Mississippian Frank H. Leavell. Those were the days of the first First Magnitude BSU's, and of the great southwide Student Conferences at Birmingham, Atlanta and Memphis in the twenties and the thirties. There are many others who cherish memories of the BSU on the campuses, student weeks at Ridgecrest (and Glorieta), retreats, state conventions, etc. Many adults of today are better church leaders because of the influence of BSU during their school years.

The Mississippi Department of Student Work under the direction of Rev. Ralph B. Winders, is providing a splendid program today. There are active BSU's on almost every campus of the state, and for most schools there are Student Secretaries. Elsewhere in this issue of the Record there will be found a listing of these Secretaries along with the names of the BSU presidents, and a list of pastors of churches near the campuses.

It would be well for every Baptist student who plans to enter college this fall to make immediate contact with the BSU and allow it to share with you in your living for Christ while in school. It can help make your college years richer and more meaningful.

## Baptist Work In Italy

(Summary of a series of editorial reports based upon experiences and observations during recent Spain-Italy Mission Tour.)

Members of our party preached in some of the churches of Spain and Italy, and reports from some of those meetings were given in the July 9 issue of the Record. Because of that these remarks will be confined to general information and reports of the churches where your writer preached.

Italy is a republic slightly larger than the state of Arizona, with a population of 48,500,000. Roman Catholicism is the state religion and predominates the political, economic and social life of the nation. The work of evangelicals has been difficult and slow of growth.

Southern Baptist work began in 1870 and today there are 56 churches with 4,534 members. There are 14 Southern Baptist missionaries and 47 national pastors. The churches are organized into the Baptist Union of Italy.

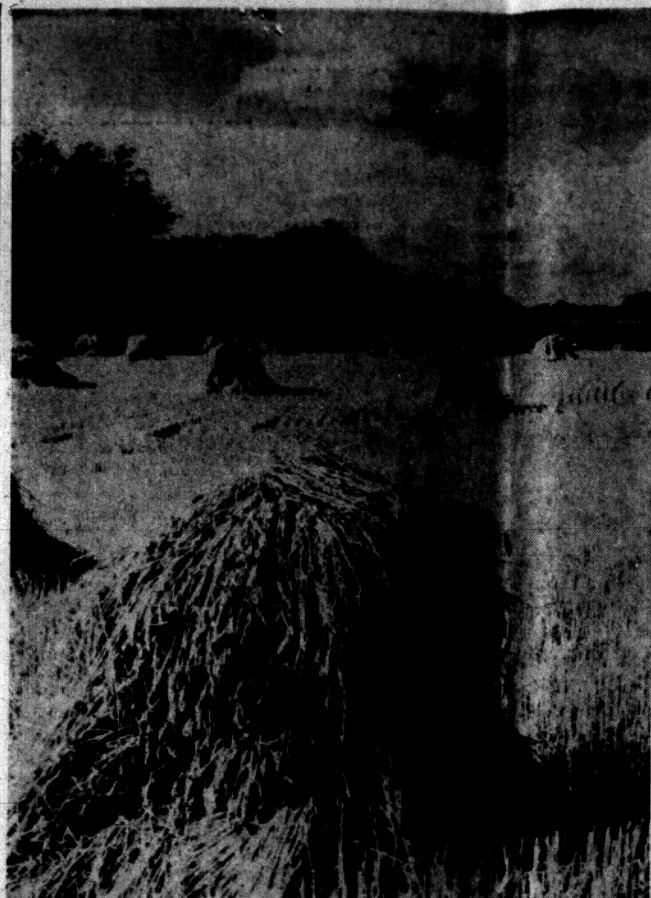
Baptist institutions include the Seminary at Rivoli, and the Publishing House, the Training School, an orphanage, an old folks home, and a medical clinic in Rome. A summer assembly, called "Ridgecrest by the Sea" has been established at Santa Severa.

It was my privilege to preach at the "First" Baptist Church on Via Passalacqua (Passalacqua Street) in the heart of the city of Turin, an industrial metropolis of 900,000 in Northwest Italy. The pastor is Bro. Brun Saccomani, the dean of Baptist pastors in Italy. This church was organized about 75 years ago, and is giving a strong witness for Christ despite the strong opposition to its work. There are several other Baptist churches in the Turin area.

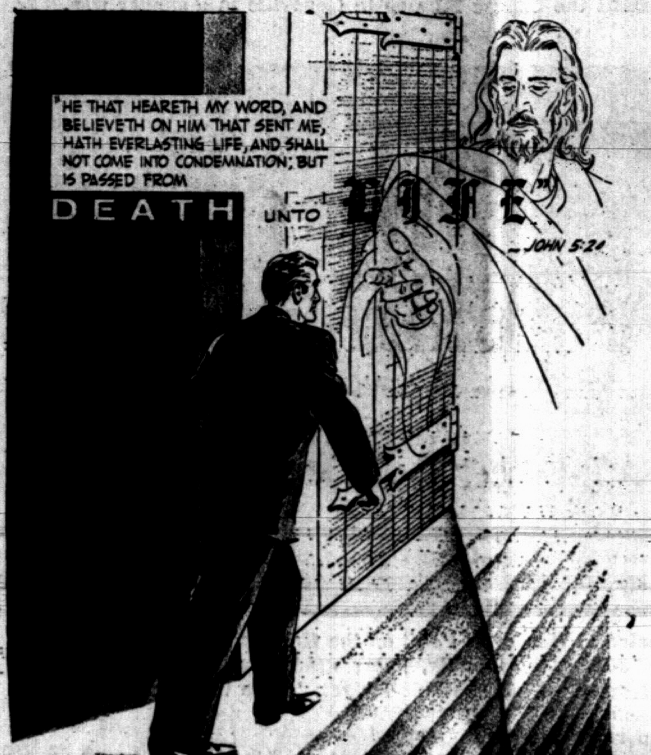
It was a joy to preach to these people night after night during the revival there. My interpreter was a converted priest, and there is some difficulty in learning to preach through an interpreter. The people were very responsive, however, and the Spirit of God gave most gracious services. It was a blessing to hear these people sing, and to see their utter devotion to the Lord. This may be explained, at least in part, by the fact that many of them have paid a great price or suffered persecution when they became Baptists.

It will be of interest to our Baptist people in America to know that one does not become a member merely by presenting himself for baptism, as here in our land. When a person confesses that he has accepted Christ as Saviour he must undergo several months of training and must live in such a way as to prove his profession. If he is able to prove by his life and his acceptance of the teaching that he has been saved and is truly a Christian, the church will then receive him and baptize him.

Most of the churches seldom if ever give an invitation such as we use here. No invitation was given during the week that I preached in Turin. Yet careful note is made of every visitor and these are followed up with visits to the home, for personal work. The effectiveness of this plan is shown by the fact that the churches of Italy baptized one person for every ten members last year. Here in Mississippi we baptized one person for every twenty-five members. Perhaps we could learn something from our Italian counterparts. If we made our churches harder to



HARVEST TIME—"Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice." (1 Ch. 16:31 RSV).—(RNS Photo).



## TO SING OR NOT TO SING IS QUESTION WITH BAPTISTS

BOSTON, Mass., October, 1810 (BP)—Do Baptists need "machinery" as an aid to worship? Many insist they do, and they take the time-honored Baptist position of citing the Bible as their authority.

This machinery, as it is called by those who object to its use, is the bass viol. The musical instrument is being introduced into the worship of some Baptist churches as an aid to congregational singing. And congregational singing, some add wryly, needs all the help it can get.

"Big Fiddle" Although many protest use of the "big fiddle" in worship services, this and other musical instruments are bidding for places in the church. Those who defend them say that musical instruments have been used in worship since Old Testament times, and quote the Psalms and other Bible passages for support.

The whole question of congregational singing is still being debated by some Baptists, however, particularly in rural and frontier sections. There are "singing Baptists" and those who believe that music has no place in public worship.

The tradition of not singing is probably a carryover from the days when Baptists and others were persecuted. Forced to worship in secret, persecuted congregations could not sing for fear they would be discovered. This custom of hushed and silent worship is still cherished by some.

Singing Revivals have done much to popularize congregational singing in this country, and the camp meeting revivals of a few years ago have renewed interest in church music.

Baptist congregations generally enjoy singing, usually led by the pastor or some member of the congregation with a good voice. Due to the lack of hymnals, and because many in the congregation cannot read, the leader usually reads the lines of the hymn or psalm as the congregation sings.

This custom of "lining out" hymns is often performed by deacons, who stand down in front of the pulpit. Thus the term "deaconing" is used to describe the services of the song leader.

## Brazil Church Has Continuous Revival

FEIRA DE SANTANA, Bahia, Brazil — (BWA) — First Baptist Church here has been having a continuous revival during this year. Seventy persons had accepted Jesus by early June and 29 of these have been baptized. Five young men have surrendered to preach the gospel, and a large number of persons have rededicated their lives to the Lord's service.

get into, their witness might be more effective.

The Baptist Seminary is located in Rivoli, a suburb of Turin. The campus is a former estate, which has been admirably adapted for school use. A missionary has served as president for several years, but a national has been chosen to serve beginning this year. The number of students is small, but one is impressed by their consecration and dedication to their work.

Southern Baptists should pray earnestly for Italian Baptists, that their lights may shine ever brighter in the spiritual darkness of their land.

# Adventures With God In The Island Of Puerto Rico

By Chuck Longino

Hundreds of tiny, glimmering sparks sailed upward as Kenny threw his piece of bamboo on the campfire. "I just want to say: Thank the Lord for saving me, and thank the Lord for my prayer-mate, Ira Hines." This was the simple but earnest testimony of an intermediate boy who had accepted Christ during a prayer-date the day before and had only a few minutes ago made his public profession of faith.

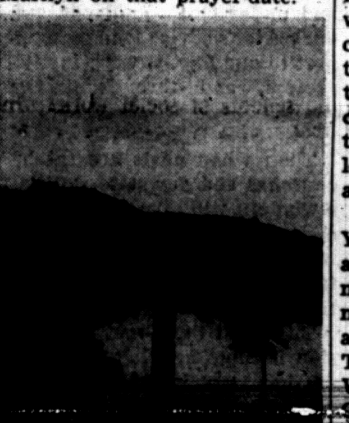
Kenny's sister, Judy, was next. The beautiful blonde, with

only the slightest limp left by polio, threw her bamboo on the fire and said: "When I came to this camp I didn't realize that it would be any different from the other church camps which I have attended, but here I have met God face to face, and now I love Him with all my heart because tonight He saved me. My friend, Marilyn, is bashful about saying anything because she is deaf so I want to put some wood on the fire for her and say in her behalf that she is thankful for the Lord saving her and for the prayer-mate that led her to know Jesus as a personal friend. And I know that although she has a handicap, the Lord will use her life if she'll let Him."

This was Judy's first opportunity to witness for her Lord for she had made a profession of faith only ten minutes before during the decision service. Marilyn had made her new-found faith public in the same service.

Judy's boy friend, Bob, stepped up to the campfire with a large piece of bamboo. "I was a hot-rodder, living only for the devil's pleasures before I met Jesus here at Yuquiyu Assembly. My friends are going to wonder what happened to me when I get home, and I'm going to tell them about Jesus." He, too, had professed Jesus during the decision service earlier that evening.

Loyce Gives Testimony Marilyn's prayer-mate, Loyce, turned from the blazing fire to face the large semi-circle of campers with tears in her eyes which glistened in the light of fire-like diamonds. "I thought I loved the Lord before I came to Yuquiyu, but now I have fallen desperately in love with Him. He is so wonderful. There isn't anything in the whole wide world that I wouldn't gladly do for Him now. And I want to praise the Lord for allowing me to be present when He saved Marilyn on that prayer-date."



Camp on the island of Puerto Rico. Some were babes in the Lord thanking Him for saving them. Others were old war-horses who had received a fresh vision and new strength for the fight. Later, as the fire was dying, the fifty campers made their way to various parts of the assembly grounds for one last prayer-date before they turned in for the night.

David Is Baptized, "Please speak to David," Loyce was pleading as she led the camp director by the hand to the bench where she had left her boy friend a moment before. David's problem was that of baptism. He said very honestly, "Sure, I'm a Christian, thanks to Jesus and Loyce, but if I'm baptized now it will be denying my Lutheran baptism when I was a baby." After an hour of comparing his catechism commentary with the Bible the three young people talked the problem over with the Lord. David said, "If the Holy Spirit convicts me of it tonight, I'll be baptized in the morning."

It was after midnight before many of the campers settled down enough to go to bed. All that they seemed to want to do was to sing praises to God and pray, thanking Him for Jesus and His love, and for the miracles which they had witnessed in their lives during the past three days. Our pentecostal brethren might say that they had been baptized with the Holy Ghost. Nevertheless He was in their hearts.

Everybody was up at six o'clock the next morning, for the regular morning watch service was to be a baptizing at a nearby beach. Among those who were buried by baptism in the warm Atlantic waters and rose again to the newness of life was David.

This Is Just Beginning Carmen Acevedo, whom you have met in previous installments, stood on the sand and watched one of the Puerto Rican boys baptized. She had led two of them to the Lord during the camp. "Ay bendito!" she exclaimed with joy. How precious this was to her, for she had followed the Lord in baptism only a week earlier.

The Baptist Youth Camp at Yuquiyu, Puerto Rico, was not a mountain top but a foot hill; not the zenith, but the beginning. New soldiers were born, and wounded soldiers healed. They are part of the army which WILL win Puerto Rico for Christ.

## Calendar of Prayer

September 7 — John O'Keefe, faculty, William Carey College; Dr. N. W. Carpenter, Jr., Miss. College faculty.  
September 8 — David Guyton, Blue Mountain College faculty; Florence Lee, Baptist Book Store.  
September 9 — Mrs. W. L. Carpenter, Pontotoc Assoc. W. M. U. President; Joseph Rasplian; Jr., Gulf Coast Assoc. Brotherhood Pres.  
September 10 — Rev. Guy Graham, Itawamba Associational Missionary; M. Fred Ellerbe, Hinds Assoc. Music Director.  
September 11 — Mrs. Genevieve Day, librarian, Gilroy School of Nursing; Mrs. Vernon May, Winston Assoc. W. M. U. Pres.  
September 13 — Rev. Curtis Sanders, Marion Assoc. Missionary; Mrs. R. A. Herrington, Holmes Assoc. Music Director.

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## Pages

From The Past

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

### 50 YEARS AGO

The Serepta Church, Franklin County, closed a remarkable meeting of days with 45 additions, forty-one of them for baptism in which Pastor J. A. Chapman was assisted by Rev. J. E. Cranford of Seminary. The meeting reached a climax in the ordination of Bro. Elzy Delany to the gospel ministry and three deacons.

Home Board Evangelist W. A. McComb assisted Pastor Webb Brame in the revival meeting at Long Beach (a mission) on Gulf Coast resulting in 24 accessions, 14 of them for baptism.

Pastor W. W. Reese tells of a fine revival meeting in the Dockery Church, Sunflower County, in which Rev. W. H. Morgan of Shaw did the preaching (in the absence of the pastor due to illness in the family). There were 33 additions to the church, 26 of them for baptism.

The church at Waynesboro closed a very successful meeting of days with twenty-three accessions, eighteen of them by baptism. Pastor W. A. Lusk had as preacher assisting Rev. H. R. Holcomb of McComb City.

Rev. T. W. Green of Lexington tells of being invited back to the Philadelphia Church, Caseyville, Lincoln County, for a revival meeting, which church had ordained him to the full work of the gospel ministry. It was a blessed experience for him to be with the noble pastor (Rev. T. J. Furniss).

### 40 YEARS AGO

The Bethany Church, Jefferson County, closed "a great and good meeting" with 24 additions, twenty-one for baptism. Pastor J. O. Buckley was assisted by Bro. C. M. Morris of Quitman.

### 25 YEARS AGO

The Arlington Church, Lincoln County, closed a successful meeting with 32 accessions, 24 of them by baptism, in which Pastor N. B. Saucier was assisted by Rev. W. R. Storie of Duck Hill.

## Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

### RIGHT OR WRONG

QUESTION: Please explain Romans 14:14. Some get the impression that if their conscience doesn't hurt them, it is no sin to go to the dance on Saturday night, just so they go to church on Sunday morning. They believe it is no sin because it does not seem unclean to them.

ANSWER: The passage you referred to is dealing with buying meat that had been offered to idols. Yet the principle outlined in Romans 14 apply to most of our moral questions.

What Paul was trying to get across to the Roman Christians was simply this: you cannot condemn something because of its association. Then he hastens to add "Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died (Verse 15). Judge your practices by the effect they have on your weaker friends."

But this does not give you the right to judge your friends for dancing. Each Christian must make decisions for himself while he counsels with other Christians about right and wrong.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Missouri).



# Need For Carver School Shown

By Dr. Wayne E. Oates  
Professor, Southern  
Baptist Theological Seminary.

Much of the conversation concerning the importance of and need for the Carver School in the life of Southern Baptists has missed the mark widely. The intention of the Woman's Missionary Union in turning this wonderful school over to the Convention was not that some static contract be kept. Rather, the intention was that the school might serve its larger purposes in the Convention as a whole. Furthermore, the larger purposes of the school call for highly intensive education on a personalized and individualized basis as over against mass education. There is a definite need for Carver School and we must ask: "What then is the need for Carver School?"

I. The Need for Highly Specialized Training.

The training of missionaries and social workers in their advanced stages of education calls for highly individualized and specialized attention. The missionary today is expected to work in a much more complex situation than ever before. He needs individual attention beyond that which he receives in general college and seminary education. Carver School can serve a major function in teaching specialized courses in language, literacy, anthropology, etc., on an individualized and small class basis to missionaries.

Furthermore, the social worker is not trained by one or two lecture courses but by careful discipline under supervision of experienced teachers.

This calls for much private

conference and individual guidance. Social work education cannot be done by mass procedures. To measure the effectiveness of the school in terms of mass education criteria is a false set of values. Such education must be done on a "custom built" rather than a mass production basis. This in and of itself is an imperatively needed emphasis among Southern Baptists. Size is not the primary recommendation of any school.

II. The Need for a More Intensive Missionary Strategy.

Going Into New Era

Southern Baptists are going into a new era of missionary strategy. We have been working on an extensive basis and now we are going into an era of intensive missions. This means that the university and professional people on foreign fields must be reached as well as the teeming masses of the underprivileged. Just as in the days of the Apostle Paul, the great cities were taken for Christ, even so today the missionary has to move with a more intensive strategy toward getting at the leadership of the peoples of the world.

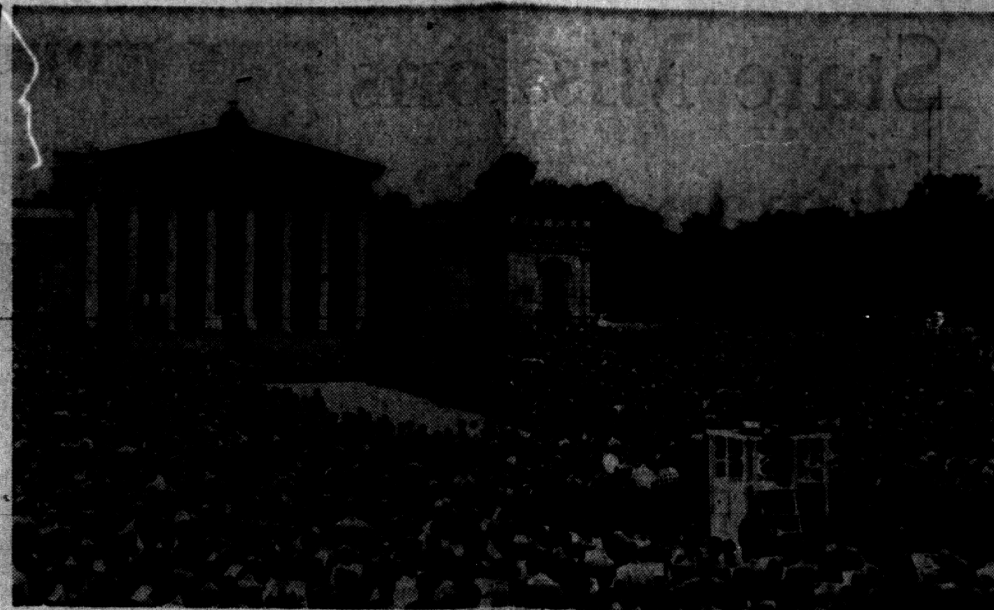
Furthermore, in this country the institutional life of our own denomination as well as that of city, state, and federal government agencies is in the control of highly-disciplined professional people. The social worker is a central personality in this organization. As it stands now, however, a dedicated young Christian can find social case work and group work training only in secular or Catholic schools of social work.

It is high time that we begin training our own social workers. Just as we have made great commitments in medical education at the state level and in nursing education at both the state and the south-wide levels, we also need to train social workers. Why should we turn the training of social workers over to secular and Catholic schools of social work? In this country there is not an acceptable and accredited school of social work among Baptists and only poorly equipped ones among Protestants. We as Southern Baptists should quit quibbling over this matter and commit ourselves wholeheartedly to the program set forth by the Survey Committee, which would move Carver School toward accreditation as a school of social work.

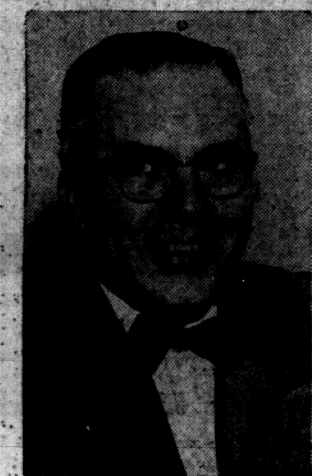
Challenge Seen

Our own institutions for children, for the sick, and for the aged are desperately in need of additional professionally-trained social workers to deal with the specialized problems of the people to whom they minister. It is only a matter of a short time before such institutions will undergo the same kind of governmental inspections as do hospitals for medical care.

No one would think of turning their loved one over to a medical doctor who was not approved scientifically.



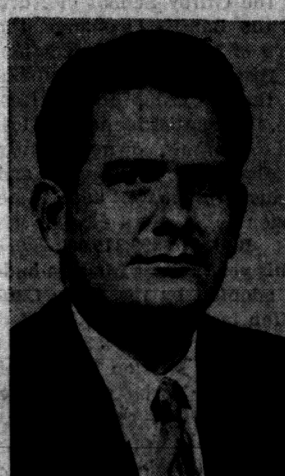
**DEKT RALLY DRAWS MANY**—MUNICH, Germany—Hundreds of thousands of German Protestants gathered in Munich from all parts of West Germany for the ninth German Evangelical Church Day (DEKT) Congress. It had been hoped that 30,000 Soviet Zone Protestants also would attend the meeting, but only 1,000 were granted travel permits. During the five-day congress, dedicated to the theme "Ye Shall Be My People," the delegates explored church, political, family, community, vocational and social problems in the light of the Evangelical faith. Special attention also was given to the ecumenical movement and the influence of mass media. —RNS Photo.



Dr. W. Plunkett Martin



Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy



Dr. John M. Price, Jr.

## N. O. Seminary Announces Promotion of Three Men

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Three New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary professors have been promoted to the office of dean in the Schools of Theology, Religious Education, and Sacred Music, according to Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, seminary president.

Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy, professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, will serve as the first Dean of the School of Theology in the history of the seminary. Previously the president of the seminary has held the responsibilities of dean in this area.

Newly-appointed Dean of the School of Religious Education is Dr. John M. Price, Jr. Dr. W. Plunkett Martin will assume the deanship of the School of Sacred Music. Both professors

had formerly served as directors in their respective areas, and the new appointment as deans will modify slightly their duties.

Two of the promoted professors are alumni of New Orleans Seminary. The promotions are part of an overall plan of reorganization now underway at the Seminary.

**New Theology Dean**  
Dr. Kennedy, the new Dean of the School of Theology, has been a member of the New Orleans Seminary Faculty since 1947. He is an alumnus of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary, receiving the Th. D. in 1947. He has served as Chairman of the graduate Council in the School of Theology for the past six years.

A native of Quitman, Miss., Dr. Kennedy has done post graduate study at Yale University and Union Theological Seminary.

**Directors Assume New Title**  
The dean of the School of Religious Education, Dr. John M. Price, Jr., is also an alumnus of New Orleans Seminary, receiving the Th. D. in 1948. He has been a member of the seminary faculty since that time.

For the past seven years, he has served as Director of the School of Religious Education and Professor of Psychology, Counseling, and Clinical Education.

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, and a graduate of Baylor University, Dr. Price has done additional study in pastoral counseling and psychotherapy at the University of Chicago. He is

currently Chairman of the Southern Baptist Association for Clinical Pastoral Education.

**Martin Promoted**  
Dr. W. Plunkett Martin, newly-appointed Dean of the School of Sacred Music, joined the seminary faculty in 1942. When the seminary moved to its spacious Gentilly campus in 1953, Dr. Martin, who then headed the music department of the seminary, became the Director of the School of Sacred Music. He is a graduate of the University Conservatory, Chicago, and received the Doctor of Sacred Music from Central Conservatory in Chicago.

## Bibles Donated For Moscow Exhibition

NEW YORK (RNS)—The American Bible Society announced here it has donated Scriptures for display at the American Exhibition in Moscow to replace those which, exhibit officials said, visitors had "removed or damaged by tremendous wear."

It said the Bibles were flown by the U. S. Information Agency from Washington, D. C., to Moscow.

According to reports received from the American officials, the ABS said, "it was necessary to station guards around the Bible exhibit" to prevent their handling by visitors. Consequently, the society added, it offered the new supply to permit visitors to examine the Bibles more freely.

Included in the shipment were Russian Bibles in the new orthography, Slovak-language New Testaments, Greek New Testaments, Russian Scripture portions, English Bibles in various versions, and the new Illustrated New Testament with English text.

The Society said it was willing to provide more than 330,000 Bibles, Testaments and Scripture portions for free circulation at the exhibit, but the of-

fer was refused because international agreements prohibit such distribution.

## FIRST, SOSO TO BUILD NEW CHURCH

Soso, First Church plans Homecoming Day for September 13 as the beginning of a drive by the membership to raise funds for a new church building.

Dinner will be served at the church and subscriptions and offering to the building fund will be received by the Finance Committee during the afternoon service.

The proposed new building will consist of an auditorium with a seating capacity of over 500 and an educational unit to care for over 500. A large basement under the main auditorium will be used for general offices, pastors office, and study, kitchen, and recreation hall. The building will have a T-shape educational unit, of masonry construction and air-conditioned.

Rev. A. T. Walker is the pastor. Members of the Finance Committee are: Jack Coats, Bilbo Hinton, Gerald Black, Mrs. Bill Hyatt, Orin Welch and Norland Jefcoat.

Members of the Building Committee are: B. F. Valentine, Carol Sims, Lawrence Ingram, Mrs. Jack Coats, Earl Goodwin, Mrs. W. O. Shows, Joe Jefcoat, and Bernard Jefcoat.

## NBC To Feature Baptist Group

FORT WORTH, (BP)—The Baylor University-trained Speak Four Trio will appear on the National Broadcasting Company's "Faith in Action" radio program, Sept. 13, 20 and 27.

The broadcasts originate from New York by transcription at 8:15 a. m. (EDT) each Sunday.

Under the direction of Paul Baker, director of the Baylor Theater, the trio of dramatists will read passages from the Bible on each program.

The group recently represented Southern Baptists on the Southern Baptists on the NBC television program, "Frontiers of Faith." Members of the trio are Ruth Byers, Dallas, and Lou Ann Klaras and Mary Sue Fridge, both of Waco.

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## Dwight Smith Is Youth Pastor At West Salem

Dwight Smith is the youth pastor this week at West Salem Church in Greene County. James K. Henderson is Sunday School Supt. and Kenney is T. U. Director. Other youth week officers are Wayburn Smith, Barbara Elmore, Edsel Henderson, Ginger Smith, Charlotte Elmore, Milton Henderson, Russell Smith, Sharon Henderson.

The young people had charge of the services last Sunday, and a youth revival is being held in connection with the youth week. Rev. C. H. Stone, is the pastor.

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**TRAINING OUR LEADERSHIP**  
It is our feeling that the greatest need in our Brotherhood work right now is the need for better trained and informed leadership, and we are directing our efforts in the months ahead toward leadership training thru clinics in as many associations as possible.

We are dealing with the local church Brotherhood leadership and the associational Brotherhood leadership in separate clinics. Clinics which have been set up for church Brotherhood Leadership are as follows:

September 7, 1959, Gulf Coast  
Sept. 10-11, 1959, Calhoun  
Sept. 21-22, 1959, Waltham  
Sept. 28-29, 1959, Greene  
October 5-6, 1959, Jeff Davis  
Oct. 8-9, 1959, Yasco  
Oct. 12-13, 1959, Marion  
Oct. 19-20, 1959, Perry  
Oct. 26, 1959, George

November 23, 1959, Newton  
Nov. 23-24, 1959, Lebanon  
Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 1959, Lawrence  
January 11-12, 1960, Lamar  
February 1-2, 1960, Jones  
Feb. 4-5, 1960, Neshoba  
Sept. 15-16, 1960, Rankin  
Sept. 19-20, 1960, Pike  
October 3-4, 1960, Warren  
Oct. 10-11, 1960, Mississippi  
Oct. 17-18, 1960, Jackson  
Oct. 24-25, 1960, Copiah  
Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 1960, Adams  
Nov. 22-23, 1960, Union.

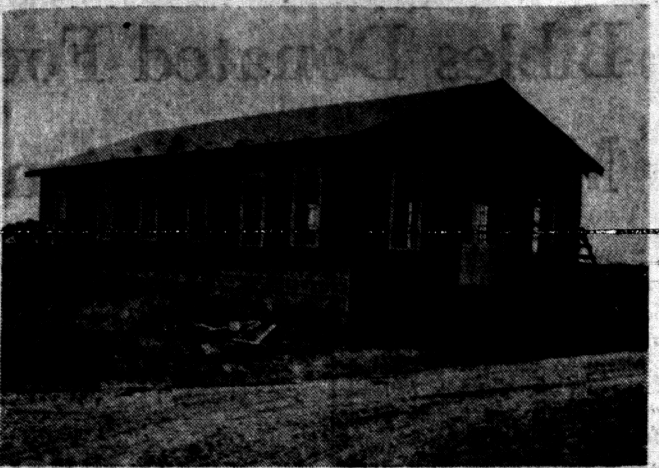
Clinics which have been set up for associational Brotherhood officers are:  
October 1, 1959, Attala  
Oct. 2, 1959, Lowndes  
Oct. 15, 1959, Tippah  
Oct. 22, 1959, Choctaw-Zion  
November 6, 1959, Marion  
Nov. 19, 1959, Neshoba  
Nov. 20, 1959, Leake  
Dec. 10, 1959, Chickasaw.

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**MEXICAN MISSIONS**—The Mexican Baptist Church at Shelby was built with the assistance of a building aid grant from the State Convention Board. In addition, the pastor, Rev. Ben Burgos, Sr., receives pastoral aid from the Board.

## Names In The News

Jerry Neely of Charleston, has resigned as youth director of First Church, Marks, to complete his work at Mississippi College this year. He has served in this capacity during the summer months between college terms.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Wayne Logan, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria who are now in the States on furlough, have moved from Irving, Tex., to Dallas, where their address is 2840 Fondren Drive, Dallas, Tex. Both are natives of Mississippi, he of Calhoun County and she, the former Dorothy Cook, of Wiggins.

Franklin A. Gordon was licensed to the Gospel ministry on Aug. 16 by the Centerville Church, Jones Association. At present he is stationed at McChord Air Force Base, Tacoma, Washington, and plans to enter Clarke College next summer. He is the son of Rev. R. R. Gordon, pastor of Centerville Church, and Mrs. Gordon.

Miss Dorothy Emmons, a native of Lake, and Miss Mary Louise Hobart, of Greenville, recently appointed Southern Baptist missionaries, have left the States to begin their first term of service overseas. They may be addressed at Baptist Mission, Box 2731, Dar es Salaam, Tanganyika, East Africa.

Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor, Calvary, Jackson, was the Conference preacher at Ridgecrest Assembly August 20-23, bringing messages each evening, and at both worship services on Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Guy Henderson, recently appointed Southern Baptist missionaries to Korea, may be addressed, Southern Baptist Mission, APO 31, San Francisco, California. Rev. Henderson is from Jackson.

Jimmy Street of Clinton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Street, and nephew of Rev. James H. Street of Conway, Ark., has surrendered to the Gospel ministry and will transfer in September from Ole Miss to Mississippi College.

Rev. and Mrs. D. Curtis Askew, Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan who are now in the States on furlough, have moved from Sardis, Miss., to Jackson, Tenn., where their address is 2334 Coronet Place. Both are natives of Mississippi, he of Sardis and she, the former Mary-Lee Trenor, of Houston.

Rev. George N. Welch, native of Morgan City, Miss., has been called as pastor of Eric Street Church, 2201 West Eric St., Chicago, Illinois. Licensed to preach at Philipston Church, Rev. Welch attended William Carey College for two years. Since August, 1958, he has served as Youth Director of the Chicago Southern Baptist Association.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Hamrick, Southern Baptist missionaries to Indonesia, have moved from Bandung to Kediri, where their address is Box 6, Kediri, Indonesia. Both are natives of Mississippi, he of Pike and she, the former Betty Jane Spiers, of Calhoun County.

Rev. L. D. Wall from Schlatter, a former pastor, will be the guest speaker. A fish fry will top the event. Rev. W. E. Greene III is the pastor.

County, all appeared on the program of the Stewardship Conference at Ridgecrest Assembly August 20-26. A. L. Nelson, Business Manager of the Miss. Baptist Convention Board, served as pianist in one of the Sunday School departments at Ridgecrest during the same week.

Rev. and Mrs. Dewey E. Merritt, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, have returned to the States for furlough. Their address is Box 117, Clinton, Miss. Mr. Merritt is a native of Hattiesburg.

Rev. Stanley W. Rogers of Hattiesburg, one of Mississippi's older pastors, was admitted to the Baptist Hospital Aug. 28 suffering from severe abdominal pains. Immediate examinations failed to reveal the source of his distress. He has served as pastor of First Baptist, Rosedale; First Baptist, Bruce; Shannon, Nettleton, Friars Point, Noxapater, Union, Brewer, Duncan.

Dr. R. L. Hamblin, pastor of Harrisburg Church, Tupelo, was the featured speaker at the quarterly meeting of the Monroe County Brotherhood at Becker Church September 1.

Rev. and Mrs. Eugene M. Cross, Southern Baptist missionaries to the Philippines who have been in the States on furlough, are returning to their field of service. Their address is P. O. Box 7, Baguio, Philippines. Mr. Cross is a native of Hickory, Miss.

Mrs. Eloise Chisolm has resigned from her position as secretary of the church at the Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, Dr. J. C. Murphy, pastor. She has worked in that position for six years.

Frank L. Ashmore has been selected as executive director of the American College Public Relations Association. He is a graduate of Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and has been director of development at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.

Richard K. Young and the pastoral care training program at North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, are featured in a lengthy article in the September issue of Reader's Digest. Young pioneered in the field of hospital pastoral care training in the Southern Baptist Convention at the Winston-Salem hospital.

David K. Morris, former public relations director at Mississippi College, produces the new weekly radio program, "Alabama Baptist News," being produced by the Alabama Baptist State Convention. He is public relations director for the Alabama Convention.

## Cruger Plans Homecoming September 6

Cruger Church will have Homecoming Day September 6. On that Sunday the church will dedicate their new Sunday School rooms which were made from the old living quarters joining the back of the church.

Rev. L. D. Wall from Schlatter, a former pastor, will be the guest speaker. A fish fry will top the event. Rev. W. E. Greene III is the pastor.

# State Missions Is Financed By Simple Formula

By Rev. Joe Abrams  
Associate Editor

Mississippi Baptists have a comprehensive, effective program of State Missions.

How is this program of state missions financed? By a simple, workable formula, to be sure.

Each year the Mississippi Baptist Convention adopts a general mission budget, known better as the Cooperative Program. This includes Southern Baptist Convention causes, state Convention causes and capital needs.

The state causes include the denomination's four colleges and the Gilfoy School of Nursing, the Baptist Orphanage, the Board of Ministerial Education, the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, owned jointly by Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas Baptists, and State Missions.

### Budget \$399,375.00

This year's State Mission budget, adopted by the State Convention last November, is listed below and totals \$399,375.00.

The State Mission budget of \$399,375.00, also by vote of the Convention, will receive \$349,375.00 from the Cooperative Program, leaving a balance of \$50,000 to be given through other sources.

These two sources are, also by Convention approval, State Mission Day in the churches and Sunday School, Sunday, Sept. 13, and the W. M. U. Season of

Prayer for State Missions, September 14-16.

Every church that gives thru the Cooperative Program automatically gives to State Missions. Every such church is also urged this year to make a special offering to state missions.

### All Churches Urged

Each year there are over 100 churches that do not give thru the Cooperative Program. These are urged to make a special offering to State Missions in order that they make a contribution and have a share in Mississippi Baptists' mission program.

Every W. M. U. in the state is likewise urged to observe the State Mission Season of Prayer and give generously through the Margaret Lackey Offering for State Missions.

Each year in the past approximately \$50,000 has been given through the two special offerings so the State Mission budget could be underwritten.

### Purchases New Sites

This year however, also by adoption of the State Convention, all given above the \$50,000 will go for the purchase of sites for needed Baptist churches and missions.

A reliable survey has revealed that there are 150 such places now where a Baptist church or mission is needed.

This is how our State Mission program is financed. The complete State Missions budget is listed just below:

## State Mission Budget—1958-59

Associational Missions	\$ 30,000.00
Board and Committee Meetings	5,500.00
Brotherhood and Assembly	40,040.00
BSU Campus	37,460.00
BSU Department	18,030.00
Training Union	45,480.00
Chinese Mission	
Church Building Aid	10,000.00
Emergency Church Building Aid	1,000.00
Evangelistic Conferences	1,500.00
Indian Work	2,250.00
Area Mission (Coop. Missions)	30,615.00
Church Music	16,310.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Negro Work Department	22,975.00
Mississippi Baptist Seminary	25,450.00
Historical Society	3,000.00
Pastoral Aid	5,000.00
Promotion and Tracts	8,000.00
Sanatorium	600.00
Religious Education Association	250.00
Sunday School	46,350.00
Camp Garaywa-WMU	10,000.00
Negro Work-WMU	1,500.00
Indian Work-WMU	1,500.00
Convention Expense	4,000.00
Temperance	11,500.00
Kittiwake Baptist Assembly	17,500.00
Kittiwake Baptist Assembly Note	5,000.00
Total	\$399,375.00

## German Baptists Send Aid To Refugees In Hong Kong

HAMBURG, Germany.—(BWA) — When German Baptists received from Dr. R. Paul Caudill, chairman of the Relief Committee of the Baptist World Alliance, a plea for help for refugees in Hong Kong, they remembered that they, too, had previously been the object of Baptist World Alliance relief efforts.

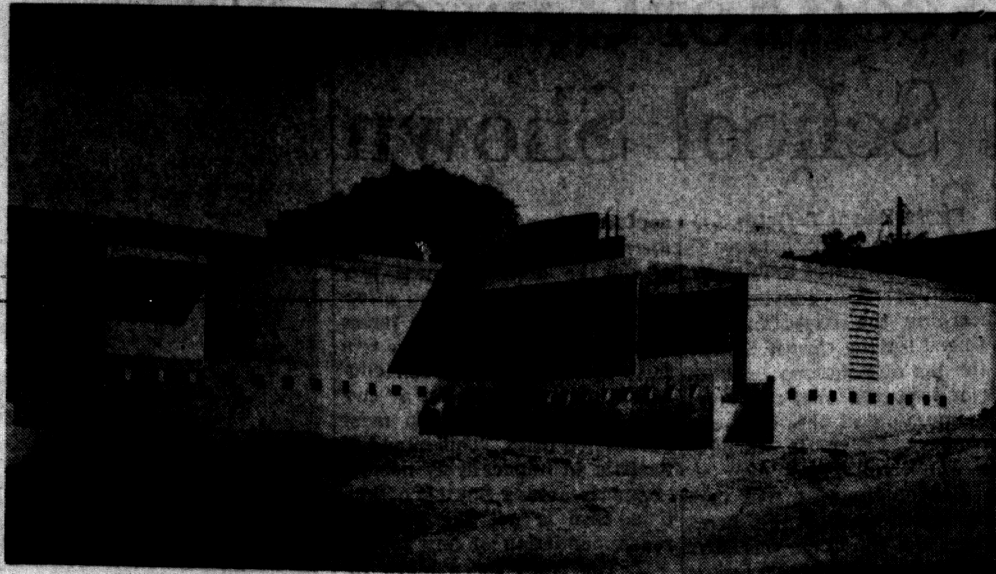
Hans Luckey, director of the Baptist theological seminary at Hamburg wrote, "When I made it an object of my prayer, the

students wanted to do something especially for these refugees. So, the students of the seminary and the youth school have arranged two fasting days. The money they spared in these days they are sending to the refugees in Hong Kong. This amounted to DM 400 (U. S. \$100)."

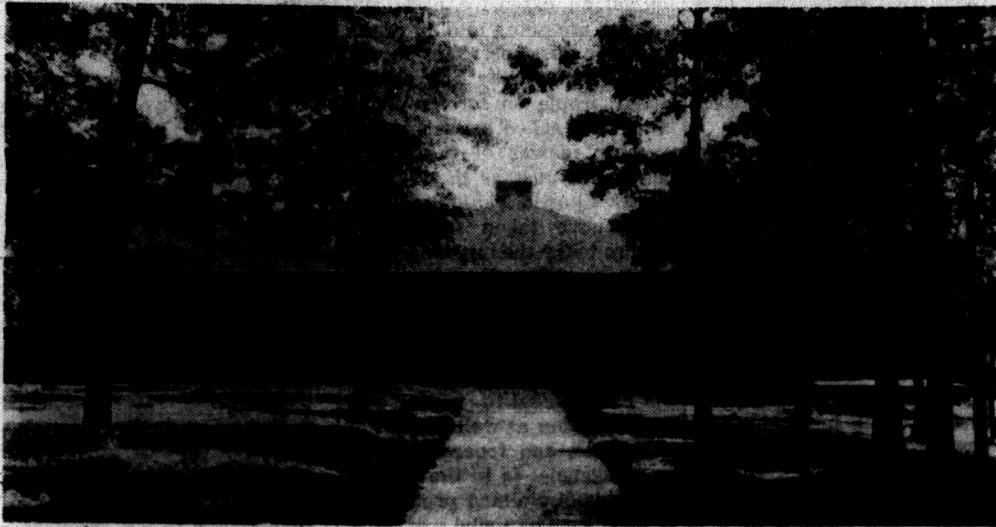
Mr. Luckey reports further that the appeal is being passed to Baptists throughout Germany and "will come to a special action."



**BUILDING AID**—The Galilee Church in Rankin Association is one of the churches in the state constructed with the assistance of a building aid grant from the State Convention Board. Rev. Z. B. McAlpin is pastor.



**INDIAN MISSIONS**—The Indian Center at Philadelphia, while owned by the Home Mission Board, receives a grant each year from the State Convention Board for various phases of mission work among the Indians. Rev. Victor Kaneubbe is the Home Board missionary to the Indians.



**WMU CAMP**—Camp Garaywa, near Clinton, owned and operated by the State WMU, receives an allocation each year from State Missions. This past summer there was a total attendance of 2,435, with 58 professions of faith and 247 special decisions regarding church-related vocations.

## Lincoln County To Have Music Meet

On Sunday, September 6, at 2 p. m. the Lincoln County Associational music meeting will be held at New Prospect Church.

All pastors, music directors, musicians and singers are urged to be present. Paul Thompson is associational music director.

## James Henderson Dies In N. O.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 22, at West Salem Baptist Church, Greene County, for James C. Henderson, 65.

Mr. Henderson was the last living charter member of the church which was organized in 1913. He had been in the Veterans' Hospital in Biloxi since January, until shortly before his death when he was transferred to New Orleans, where he died August 20. He was a veteran of World War I.

A faithful Christian worker in his church and community, Mr. Henderson was often spoken of as the "Job" of his community.

Survivors include his wife, six sons, one daughter, one grandson, one sister, two brothers, a number of nephews and nieces and many friends.

## MORTON FIRST OBSERVES YOUTH WEEK

Youth Week was observed by Morton, First Church, August 17-23. The youth pastor was Jerry Measells. Other officers were, Jerry Magers, Johnny Kelly, Jimmy McDill, Hope Howard, Jimmy Kelly, Lamar Buntyn, Sandra Braddy, Patsy Davis, Susan Moore, Jerry Hamilton, Martha Rogers, Jean Davis, Charlotte Duncan, Elizabeth Moore, Wanda Roberts, Tippy Jacob, Roddy Simmons, David Earl Walter, Dub Young, Donnie Donnell, Mike Crowell, Jimmy Darrell Dorris, Bill Richardson, Freddy Roberts, Reed Davis, Jimmy Burt, Tommy Neal, Mickey Smith, and Rex Keeton.

The youth led W. M. U., G. A., Sunbeams R. A., and deacons meetings, Sunday School Officers and Teachers Meeting, Prayer Meeting and Choir Rehearsal. Thursday Night there was an "Old Time Peanut Boil" at Roosevelt Park. Saturday Night the young people were hosts to the Scott County Youth Rally, followed by a fellowship period. Sunday the youth officers led in all the services. Rev. N. F. Greer is pastor and Rex Mitchell is Training Union director.



**NEGRO MISSIONS**—An architect's drawing of the proposed administration building of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary to be located on Lynch Street in Jackson. The center will also serve as the home of the Jackson center, one of 27 centers located over the state. The Seminary receives an allocation from the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

## Sound Reasons Given By Writer For The Raising of Salaries of Pastors

By Rev. O. B. Anderson  
In Gulf Coast "Tide"

Have you thought about raising your pastor's salary this fall? You ought to be thinking about it now, for most churches are planning their financial programs for next year.

I have never known a church to be hurt by paying its pastor too much. On the contrary, I have known many instances of actual injustice to men who were doing their best, without really getting enough salary to get by.

Let me suggest some reasons for raising pastor's salaries:

1. A raise is a good way to express appreciation for a job well done — to say "Thank you" to a man who is not just working for what he can get out of it.

2. A raise is an acknowledgment that the cost of living is steadily climbing. (You need not be afraid that higher salaries for pastors will bring on inflation! Preachers are having the life squeezed out of them by the inflation we already have!) Preachers are expected to live with respectable standards, wearing respectable clothes, and driving dependable cars. And, they are even expected to pay their honest debts! Be fair with them, and see that the salary is adequate.

3. An adequate salary relieves the pastor and his family of the constant tension of money worries. He will do better work. He will have a better reputation, because he can meet his obligations. The better reputation will be to the credit and to the benefit of the church.

### Pastors Seldom Ask

Pastors seldom ask for a raise. Indeed, a pastor should never have to ask. If he is deserving, and if the church is at all able, raises should be given without his suggesting it. But remember:

People do not want to think that their pastors are in the ministry for money. Most pastors are not. If one is, let us pray for him! But, when the money doesn't go 'round, and the church doesn't volunteer a raise, the preacher is the one on the spot. Almost anyone else can demand more money—one way or another — but not the preacher.

5. Paying an adequate salary speaks well for your church. It demonstrates the commendable qualities of thoughtfulness, consideration, unselfishness, fairness, yes, and Honesty. Sometimes a few church members succeed in keeping the salary low. If only a few people are allowed to control salaries, and the preacher is underpaid, every member shares the responsibility!

## Groner Honored By Hospital Group

Dr. Frank S. Groner, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, has been named president-elect of the American Hospital Association, the organization whose members represent 7300 hospitals in the 50 states, the U. S. territories and Canada.

Dr. Groner has just completed a term as president of the American College of Hospital Administrators. He is one of the very few people who has served as president of this professional body as well as the American Hospital Association and will be the first Southerner to have held both posts.

He has been administrator of Baptist Memorial since 1946.





PARTICIPANTS in Vacation Bible School at New Providence Church in Calhoun County near Vardaman are pictured above. Rev. John Allen Wade is their pastor.

### Sunday School Department

BRYANT M. CUMMINGS, SECRETARY

State Mission Day in the Sunday School is Sunday, September 13. Each Sunday School superintendent has received an envelope containing information about the observance of this day.

Included in this envelope is a special program, "Products of State Missions," that has been prepared by Dr. Charles L. McKay. This may be presented as written in Intermediate, Young People and Adult departments. Information gleaned from this program may be presented in the younger departments of the Sunday School.

A new booklet "Mississippi Baptists at Work" has been mailed to all Sunday School superintendents. This booklet contains very valuable information concerning the work right here in our state.

Sunday School people should

be informed about mission work in Mississippi. An informed people are a giving people. Take advantage of this special emphasis day to inform your people and then give them an opportunity to make a special offering for the work of State Missions. Envelopes for this special offering may be had by filling in the request card that is in the State Mission envelope.

**LET'S MAKE SEPTEMBER 13 THE GREATEST STATE MISSION DAY IN THE HISTORY OF MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS.**

**FOR NURSERY WORKERS**

A new study course book for Nursery workers will be off the press in November or December. The name of this book is "Improving Nursery Departments."

Since this book will not be ready for the fall study courses it is suggested that the Nursery workers use the Preview Study. Credit in the new Church Study Course for Teaching and Training may be received if this preview is completed before November 1. The Preview Study, if done before November 1, will meet the Standard requirement on Point IX.

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## Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance		
Training Union Attendance		
Additions To The Church		
AUGUST 30, 1950		
Aberdeen, First	445	141
Amory, First	518	170
Batesville, First	578	289
Bethel (Co.)	72	38
Biloxi, Emmanuel	314	129
Biloxi, Forrest Ave.	153	88
Booneville, First	235	123
Brookhaven, First	757	235
Main	706	214
Malbert Heights	51	21
Byram	325	177
Calhoun City, First	335	161
Canton, Center Terrace	182	106
Clara, First	101	69
Clear Creek	12	37
Charleston, First	323	124
Clarkdale	442	103
Clarkdale, Oakhurst	652	224
Cleveland, Immanuel	204	89
Cleveland, First	445	77
Main	403	30
Chinese Mission	45	106
Collins	211	106
Corinth, First	398	102
Corinth, Calvary	102	63
Corinth, Tate St.	214	108
Crystal Springs, First	618	205
Friendship (Monroe)	109	50
Greenville, (Albany)	187	90
Greenville, Parkview	51	122
Gulfport		
Grace Memo.	323	110
Gulf Gardens	177	88
Bayou View	174	87
Hathorn	68	50
Hattiesburg		
First	560	232
Main Street	939	419
North Main	33	21
Wayside	22	12
Main	874	375
38th Ave.	232	134
Houston, First	377	176
Jackson		
Southside	243	137
West Jackson	437	166
Calvary	1456	432
Oak Forest	339	130
Parkway	950	472
Broadmoor	581	277
Ridgewood	622	230
Daniel	1004	413
Highland	205	87
Hillcrest	466	221
McDowell Road	127	127
Crestwood	355	163
Midway	311	122
First	1537	427
Long Beach	329	146
Kosciusko, First	598	183
Main	580	183
Maple Mission	18	
Laurie		
Magnolia St.	345	126
Plainway	163	710
Wilwood	399	202
Highland	132	132
First	656	178
Second Avenue	419	107
Long Beach	329	146
Main	415	81
Delisle	39	20
Longview	75	37
Lucas	137	43
Lyon	137	43
McComb, Central	205	69
McComb, Locust St.	197	114
Macedonia (Lab.)	54	54
Magee, Eastside	208	122
Mendenhall, First	326	91
Meridian		
Lauderdale Mission	25	16
Lauderdale	25	96
Eighth Avenue	205	96
State Boulevard	205	102
Oakland Heights	283	102
Fifteenth Avenue	543	250
Emmanuel	79	52
Arroyo	107	56
First	813	227
Southside	465	148
Fulton Ave. Mission	49	400
Calvary	400	162
Fewell Survey Mission	27	31
Polar Springs Drive	507	163
Grandview Mission	26	56
Highland	244	107
Morton, First	242	91
Morton, East	104	108
Natchez, Morgantown	123	123
Natchez, First	304	144
Natchez, Fellowship	291	138
Navy	139	57
New Albany	247	222
Niland Chapel (Bol.)	42	77
Newton, First	515	232
Oxford	386	160
Pascagoula		
First	658	189
Orange Grove	60	32
Pearl	180	107
Petal-Harvey	360	124
Main	313	107
Harvey Mission	47	17
Petal, Crestview	106	62
Picayune, First	572	132
Main	582	107
Mission	20	51
Potts Camp	138	51
Purvis, First	300	99
Ripley, First	384	134
Shelby	385	108
Shelby (Gold Coast)	71	41
Sherman	99	41
Soso, First	213	55
Springfield (Scott)	121	93
Spring Hill (Talia)	61	56
Starkville, First	737	307
Summerland	100	50
Sumrall, First	182	56
Tupelo		
First	484	174
Calvary	545	215
Harrisburg	774	257
Tutwiler	182	90
Union, First	327	134
Vicksburg		
First	667	179
Immanuel	183	62
Welsh	113	62
West Point	578	162
West End	258	147
AUGUST 23, 1950		
Belden	136	84
Clara, First	77	84
Corinth, Tate St.	304	84
Hathorn	80	39
Oxford, First	387	147
Vicksburg, Immanuel	159	96

## — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

# Jonah Tries To Fight God

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell  
WORKING AGAINST GOD.  
Scripture Texts: Jonah; Obadiah.

**INTRODUCTION:** Wilbur Smith, editor of Peloubet's Select Notes, includes both of these writings in the lesson and gives some attention to each. They are both very short and capable of being read at one short sitting. I recall once having memorized the prophecy of Jonah and read it as a chapel talk here at Mississippi College. Let's look at it for a little while. This is its teaching:

**I. GOD'S LOVE INCLUDES ALL PEOPLE.** The Ninevites were a wicked and bloody people, but God loved them and desired their salvation. God's character never changes, as He was then, He is now, so there is not a people on earth that is not the object of Almighty Love.

**II. GOD USES MEN IN THE RESCUE OF THE LOST.** He has honored man in taking him into partnership with the Divine in the greatest work in the world—the remaking of ruined men. This work that calls forth nature from her rugged mien and chisels human marble into men after the heart of God is the biggest, best, finest work in the world, and when any one of us, his humblest servants, makes earnest effort to help another ascend to a loftier level of living, we are working in partnership with God.

**III. GOD-CALLED MEN MAY OPPOSE THEIR WILLS TO THE WILL OF GOD.** Many a man and many a woman has done that to their defeat and lasting sorrow. Many a person has been fitted and called by the Lord to one field of work, and has stubbornly refused to enter it. Each and every one of those finds trouble in the way. I have seen more than one man who was determined to preach, but could not give one bit of evidence of a call except that he wanted to do it, from whatever secret motive.

The man who is determined to plow when the Lord has called him to preach, the woman who wants to sing psalms whereas the Lord has called her to sew seams—Oh! the man who opposes his will for his life to the Master's will for it is going to get down down into a whale's belly to the bottom of the sea.

**IV. GOD'S WORK IS DONE THROUGH OBEDIENT MEN AND WOMEN.** "Jonah did not enjoy going to Nineveh." Who said he was bound to? "Jonah did not want the Ninevites to be saved." Who said he had to? The Lord's will got done, didn't it? Which is more important, for you and I to have our way, or for the Lord to have His? The Ninevites repented, didn't they? Was that what the Lord desired?

**OBADIAH.** Name means servant of Jehovah, or worshiper of Jehovah. His prophecy is the shortest book in the Old Testament. Sounds like an impassioned oration. God has tipped a human tongue with fire and words and syllables burn upon it with the heat and fury of volcanic flames.

The sons of Edom are the sons of Esau. He and his brother Jacob struggled in their mother's womb, they contended after their birth, and their children have fought ever since and face each other this blessed day in attitudes no less fierce and threatening than in the day of their past most hateful enmity. But here Edom was at palpable fault, and was unrepentant in it, hence the terrible denunciation of God upon them.

**I. GOD NEVER SMITES WITHOUT FIRST WARNING.** Through the long years of Hebrew history, while their God, the Great Jehovah, was working with the people whom He had chosen to give the world assurance of His gracious love, the sons of Edom had opposed every possible obstacle to the Hebrew progress, had rejoiced when their kinsmen suffered flood, famine, or other disaster, had been pleased when Israel's enemies invaded and spoiled his land. During all these years, Edom had had warning from God against his unbrotherly conduct.

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MRS. H. L. ANDREWS, Training Union Director of Houlihan Church, and Rev. Mack Rutledge, Pastor, are holding the recently completed HONOR CHURCH DIPLOMA. Mrs. Andrews has been Director of Training Union for ten years at Houlihan and also is in her tenth year as Associational Training Union Director of Chickasaw Association.



FIRST CHURCH, Ellisville completes HONOR CHURCH DIPLOMA. From left to right are: Mrs. Troy Bush, Nursery Dept.; Mr. Cliff Watson, Adults; Mrs. Joe Rowell, Beginner Dept.; Mr. C. Wright, Training Union Director; Mrs. Virgil Brawley, Primary Dept.; Rev. C. W. Thompson, Pastor; Mr. Harold Hardee, Young People's Dept.; Mrs. C. W. Thompson, Jr. Dept.; Mr. Troy Bush, Assoc. Director; Mrs. G. Turner Jr., Intermediate Dept.

## Kruschy's Visit Has Call For Day Of Prayer

WASHINGTON — Admiral Ben Moreell, retired board chairman of Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp., today called for an interdenominational, nationwide day of prayer to coincide with the arrival in the United States (September 15) of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

In a plea which won endorsement from prominent clergymen, Moreell also urged that cities on Khrushchev's itinerary arrange special church services on the day of his visit.

**II. MEN CAN AND DO BECOME IRREDEEMABLY BAD, IRREDEEMABLY WICKED.** Like clay that hardens in the dry air or sunlight till it can no longer be molded into any shape, the human heart does sometimes become so hard that even the grace of Almighty God is powerless to change it for the better. Thus the heart of the race became callous, hopelessly evil, so a loving God, for the sake of a future race had to wash the face of the ground clean of its nasty, filthy, wicked folks.

**III. UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, WHETHER INDIVIDUAL OR NATIONAL, THE WICKEDNESS OF MAN OR RATHER THAT FACED GOD, IN THE SITUATION WHICH FACED OBADIAH, OR RATHER THAT FACED GOD, IN THE NATION OF EDOM WHEN GOD SENT OBADIAH, IT WAS NECESSARY FOR OBADIAH TO SPEAK WORDS OF TERRIBLE SEVERITY, AND NECESSARY FOR GOD, THE LOVING TO EXECUTE THE DIVINE WRATH AGAINST THE PROPAGATORS OF EVIL.**

God's word has harsh things to say at this hour to people who harden themselves against His truth and flout His mercy. Is our nation kindly in its attitude to our sister nations?

(Lesson commentary based on "International Sunday School Lessons for Christian Teaching," copyrighted by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A.)



"Wonderful sermon, Rev. Tellef! Glad my wife tagged me into coming with her!"

## Off The Record

Emil L. Tellef of the William White School of Journalism at the University of Kansas learned the profession the hard way starting as a copy boy, but he didn't harbor sentimental thoughts about it being the best way. "The only thing I learned," he told his classes, "was this: when you go out to get sandwiches for reporters, get the money first!"

Baby Sitter. In Kansas, City, Mo., Harry Rosenthal pulled into a parking lot in his tiny foreign car (a BMW Isetta with its only door across the front), turned the car over to an attendant, came back several hours later to find the man—who had no idea how to put it in reverse—still sitting in the car, its front end snug against the parking-lot wall.

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## Performance Assured

By REV. ROY COLLUM, Pastor,  
First Church, Philadelphia

Mr. John Foster Dulles, in a news conference last year, was asked regarding attempts to hold a "Summit Conference." "What do you hope to accomplish at a 'Summit Conference' that could not be achieved by a group of secondary officials?" Mr. Dulles replied, "We must have these decisions made at a level which will assure performance." Obviously the decisions to which the late lamented Secretary of State referred had to do with the solemn obligations of sovereign nations to accept realistically their share of responsibility for world peace. Mere lip-service, followed by the ruthless violation of international agreements was not enough. Nor is a second-level, superficially pious declaration of intention sufficient in the mortal combat of the people of God with the sinister forces of evil in our day.

### In Gethsemane

The decision of our Lord in Gethsemane involved the sacred, intimate confines of the "Holy of Holies" within the Divine Personality. So completely genuine was his declaration that there was no question as to whether or not he would go from the garden to the cross. On one occasion He said, "For this cause came I forth!" FOR THIS SAME CAUSE CAME WE ALL FORTH!

### Weightier Matters

"Can we not settle the matter on the level of economic man by a simple decision to tithe?" Or, as others may ask, "Is not enthusiastic participation in and conformity to the program on the stratum of organizational man more than many are doing?" The Master would place these in the category of "lesser matters of the law." These we have done; these ought we to have done. Our real challenge, however, lies in the direction of the "weightier matters of judgment, mercy, and faith."

### Our Soul's Summit

Dare we move again into our own "Holy of Holies," hard by the place where made the all-important decision to trust Jesus in the initial saving experience, there to make a new decision to dedicate our lives to Him? Surely to make such a decision at so high a level as the very "summit" of our souls would assure the due performance of the mighty tasks of our high and holy calling.

## State WMU Camp Commencement Set For Morgantown

On Sunday morning, September 6th, the first Training Commencement Service of the Morgantown Church, Natchez, will be held at the 11:00 o'clock hour of worship. Bryant Cummings at State Sunday School Secretary will be the commencement speaker.

This program was inaugurated in October of 1958. Since that time forty-five persons have been in training and twenty-four attired in caps and gowns will receive diplomas and seals.

During the year there have been 181 certificates for the



**WORLD BAPTISTS FORM PEACE COMMISSION**—(Rochester, N. Y.)—Dr. C. Oscar Johnson of Berkeley, Cal., a former president of the Baptist World Alliance and first chairman of its newly-formed Commission on World Peace, is shown with three of the commission's 26 members who met here to map peace efforts for the 23,000,000-member Alliance. Others, left to right, are: Mrs. Edgar Bates of Hamilton, Ont.; Sir Donald Finmore, member, Queens Bench, Royal Courts of Justice, London; and the Rev. Alexander Kircun, Warsaw, resident of the Baptist Union of Poland. Dr. Johnson is a faculty member at Berkeley Baptist Divinity School.—Religiousews Service Photo.

## Mrs. W. B. Holcomb Dies At 98

Mrs. W. B. Holcomb, widow of a pioneer Mississippi Baptist pastor and mother of three Baptist pastors, died Tuesday morning following a brief illness at the home of her only daughter, Mrs. J. A. Box of Bogalusa, Louisiana. Mrs. Holcomb was 98 years old. Mrs. Holcomb's late husband, the Rev. W. B. Holcomb, served churches at Purvis, Mississippi and Quitman, Mississippi.

Three of her sons and two of her grandsons were also Baptist ministers. They include the former Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tennessee, Dr. T. Luther Holcomb, who now resides in Dallas; Rev. Rowe Holcomb, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hazlehurst, Miss.

study of Sunday School training books, of this number 75 have been by class study and 106 by home study. Rev. J. F. Stanford is pastor.

Mississippi; and Rev. H. R. Holcomb, late pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tupelo, Mississippi. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at Bogalusa, La., at 10 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, with afternoon graveside rites at the family cemetery at Quitman, Mississippi at four o'clock.

In addition to the ministers in the family, Mrs. Holcomb leaves two other sons, W. E. Holcomb of Jackson and Holly V. Holcomb of Verona, Oregon.

## First Service In New Sanctuary

The first service was held in the beautiful new sanctuary at Wayside Church, Vicksburg, on a recent Sunday.

Rev. Robert Carlisle, missionary to Uruguay, South America, now on furlough, preached at the Sunday morning service to a record crowd. Dinner was served at the church.

A revival began on that date, with Rev. Joe Royalty as evangelist. Rev. Carey Paul Douglas is the pastor.

## Young People To Hold Midway Service

Four young people from the Clinton Boulevard Community, Jackson, will have complete charge of the worship services at Midway Baptist Church, Sunday night, Sept. 6th. This is part of Midway's annual observance of "Back-to-School" Sunday.

Mr. Robert Reader, Nantucket Dr., will direct the services and will bring the concluding message "Witnessing for Christ Daily."

Miss Linda Elkins, 4935 Clinton Blvd., will speak on the subject of "Living for Christ on and off the Campus."

Horace Newcomb, Jr., will discuss "Putting Christ First in School Activities."

Ed Middleton, a freshman at Miss College, and a ministerial student, will have as his subject "Having Christian Convictions."

John Young, Mississippi College student will be in charge of the music. Rev. W. F. Evans is pastor.



**CHARTER MEMBERS** at Sardis Church in Nesheba County (organized in 1910) were honored on July 12, the opening day of a revival meeting. Left to right, they are: Bob Marshall, senior deacon; Mrs. Sallie Bates, Mrs. Frances Gray, and Mrs. Nora Madison. On that date dinner was served in the new kitchen at the church. This building will be dedicated debt-free on September 13, 1959.



**DR. J. WILLIAM HARBIN**, pastor of First Church, New Albany, will deliver the opening address for Blue Mountain College at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning, September 10, in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium. Dr. Harbin is a graduate of Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and Southern Seminary, of Louisville, Ky., where he received the Th. D. degree.

## Pastor Resigns At Berea

Rev. William O'Daniel has resigned the pastorate of the Berea Church in Tunica County, where he has been pastor for the past two years.

Ordained at Trinity Church, Memphis, in September, 1951, he graduated from Northwest Junior College and attended B. B. I. for two years. He went to Berea from First Church, Palestine, Arkansas. Other pastorates included Askew and Longtown in Panola County and Eastland in Shelby County, Tenn.

Rev. O'Daniel, now living at 888 New York, Memphis, Tenn., says he feels that his mission is accomplished at Berea and he is ready to move on to a new field of service.

## New Books

**YOUR LIFE IDEAS** by Salvatore L. Centofanti (Vantage, 261 pp., \$3.95). An inventor, a researcher in patents, copyrights, and trade marks points the way to using our God-given capacities for original ideas and work, then he tells how to protect them.

**SERMONS IN STORIES FOR CHILDREN** by Graham R. Hodges (Abingdon, 96 pp., \$1.75) are simple stories in which the author illustrates Christian teachings by using examples from daily living. Dr. Hodges, who writes in a clear and vivid manner, is a graduate of the University of Mississippi and the Yale Divinity School.

**THE OTHER SIDE OF ROME** by John B. Wilder (Zondervan, 162 pp., \$2.50) — A book of facts to show the reader what Roman Catholicism has been, what it is, and what it hopes to become. The author is a Texas Baptist pastor who has given much study to the subject, and gives a fair and factual picture of the Roman church as it is. Every Baptist, (and other Christians too) would do well to read this book, for such a widespread reading would do much to clear the atmosphere in this day of so much confused thinking concerning Rome.

**YOUNG ADULTS IN THE CHURCH** by Robert S. Clemmons (Abingdon, 138 pp., \$1.50) is a guide for persons who engage in a study program about young adults and who seek to develop as leaders of adults.

**LEWIS AND CLARK: EXPLORERS TO THE WEST** by Madge Haines and Leslie Morrill, illustrated by William Hutchinson (Abingdon, 128 pp., \$1.75) is a fascinating reading for children, with its challenging story of the discovery of the Columbia River and its authentic black and white illustrations of life in the early Northwest.



**Mrs. Ruby Garrison DEAN AT BMC**

Mrs. Ruby Paulk Garrison is Blue Mountain College's new Dean of Students. Mrs. Garrison is a graduate of Blue Mountain, where she was president of the Student Government Association, and was on the honor roll of the College every year she was in school.

Immediately after graduation from Blue Mountain, she was a high school teacher in Ripley, and then became a hostess on the GM&O Railroad passenger train known as "The Rebel." She left that position to be married to Charles D. Garrison of Mobile, Alabama, president of the Stover Lumber Company there.

After the death of her husband, she was sought by the GM&O to return to the company in the Public Relations Department. She shortly became editor of the GM&O News and a member of the executive committee of the American Railway Editors' Association. She was employed by the GM&O until she accepted the position of Dean of Students of Blue Mountain College.

## Dr. Willingham On World Tour

**NEW YORK, N. Y., USA** (BWA)—Dr. Edward B. Willingham, secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, is traveling in the interest of the societies in Western Europe, Poland, Russia, India, Burma, Thailand, Hong Kong and Japan.

## CLERGYMEN ADVISED TO SPEND MORE TIME WATCHING TV

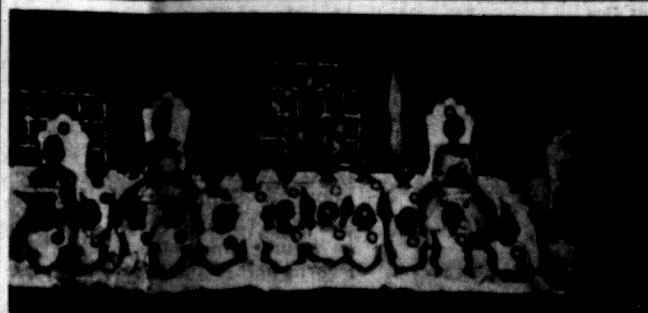
**GREEN LAKE, Wis. (RNS)**—Clergymen should spend more time watching television.

This advice was given to delegates at the national television workshop of the American Baptist Assembly here by Dr. Robert Slaughter of Rochester, N. Y., a minister who has worked in the field for six years.

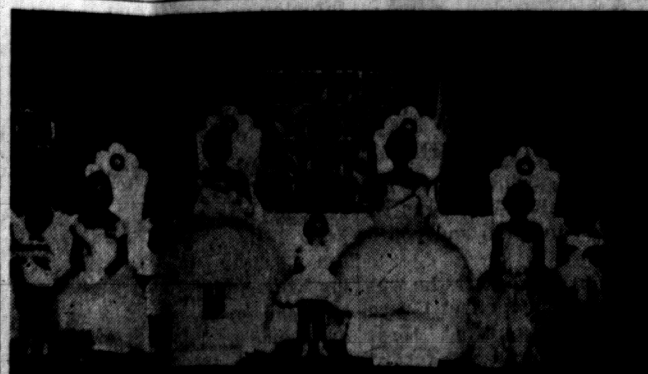
"If a pastor is concerned for people's lives," Dr. Slaughter said, "he cannot ignore TV."

The workshop was held on the "Sunday" show in Rochester and as a panelist on a religious TV show in Minneapolis. He pointed out that there are moral and ethical concerns in all kinds of programs, adding that "ministers must promote what is good, and fight what is bad on television." They should not hesitate to plug good shows in their sermons, he said.

Dr. Slaughter said a minister has responsibilities both as a listener and monitor. "TV must be faced and interpreted to your people," he told the delegates.



**"WORLD MISSIONS"** was the theme of the G. A. Coronation at First Church, New Albany. Dr. J. William Harbin, pastor. There were ten maidens, eleven Ladies-in-waiting, six princesses, two queens, and two queens with a scepter. Mrs. J. Wm. Harbin led the devotional; Mrs. A. L. Beavers pinned the awards; Mrs. John R. Heath, W. M. U. President, gave the charge; Mrs. Frank Cox led the closing prayer; Mrs. Hubert Foley is the G. A. Director.



**HIGH-RANKING G. A.'s** in First Church, New Albany's Coronation Service are pictured above. Left to right: Ann Hall, queen, with her crown-bearer, Benny Harbin; Patricia Lewellen, queen-with-a-scepter, with her scepter-bearer, Tommy Sappington; Bonnie Moore, queen-with-a-scepter, with her scepter-bearer, Sara Hardy; and Mary Catherine Meadows, with crown-bearer Rita Meadows.



## Southway Calls New Pastor

Rev. Ellis O. Smith has resigned the pastorate of Washington Church, Washington, Miss., where he has served as pastor for the past six years, to accept the pastorate of Southway Church, Brookhaven. He and his family moved on the new field August 15.

Until March 8, 1959, when it was organized into a church, Southway had been a mission of First Church, Brookhaven.

## Oklahoma Alcohol Program Abandoned

**OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.** (RNS)—Oklahoma's program of alcohol and narcotics education will be abandoned Sept. 1, the same date retail liquor stores will open legally for the first time in the state.

Dr. Oliver Hodge, state superintendent of public instruction, said the two-year old program was being dropped because of lack of funds. The state legislature this year did not renew the appropriation financing the program.

Under the program, a two-man staff worked with local schools in preparing curriculum on the subject. A booklet also was prepared. Though individual schools may continue the classes, the state no longer has funds with which to help.

## Court Upholds School Prayers

**MINEOLA, N. Y.** (RNS) — State Supreme Court Justice Bernard S. Meyer ruled here that recitation of a nondenominational daily prayer in the public school is not unconstitutional but it must not be compulsory.

In a 35,000-word decision, Justice Meyer declared that "nothing in the history of the First or Fourteenth Amendment or in the personal view of Franklin, Madison or Jefferson suggests any intention to exclude non-compulsory prayer from the schools."



**Miss Rita Duke**

## BMC Appoints Student Director

Miss Rita Duke is Blue Mountain College's new Student Director. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain, class of 1953, where she majored in Bible and Social Science.

After graduating from Blue Mountain, she attended the Carver School, in Louisville, Kentucky, and won the degree of Master of Religious Education.

Miss Duke was then for two years Director of Promotion of First Church, Tusculum, Alabama; and for the last two years, she has been Director of Student Activities at Alabama State College at Livingston.



**Blake W. Godfrey**

## Blue Mountain Adds Professor

Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, President of Blue Mountain College, announces that Blake W. Godfrey will become Associate Professor of Music on September 10, at which time the College opens its eighty-seventh session.

Mr. Godfrey is a native of Alabama and holds the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alabama, and also holds the degrees of Bachelor of Sacred Music and Master of Sacred Music from the Music School of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

While in Louisville, he was Minister of Music at Bethany Baptist Church there. From that position, he went to Hopkinsville, Ky., where he was a member of the music faculty of Bethel College and Director of Music at the First Methodist Church.

### Two Children

His wife is the former Betty Frances Godfrey, who also holds the Master's degree from the Music School of the Southern Baptist Seminary. They are the parents of two children, a daughter four years of age and a son one year old.

Mr. Godfrey will teach Voice, Music Appreciation, and Composition.